

House Resolution No. 4449

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize St. Ambrose Parish in Chaffee, Missouri, which will commemorate the resplendent occasion of its One Hundredth Anniversary in 2007; and

Whereas, St. Ambrose Parish is celebrating its centennial with a variety of activities in 2007 including a dinner and afternoon of entertainment in January, picture for a new church directory in April, a picnic at the Parish Center in July, the second annual talent show in August, and a potluck dinner in November; and

Whereas, St. Ambrose Parish got its start in 1907 with the Reverend Anthony H. Rohling serving as first resident pastor of the Chaffee congregation; and

Whereas, St. Ambrose Parish celebrated the first Mass in its new building on January 1, 1908, following which ground was broken for a school building on August 20, 1917; and

Whereas, on April 12, 1942, disaster struck when St. Ambrose Parish burned and it was twelve years before a new parish was constructed in 1954; and

Whereas, the congregation of St. Ambrose Parish has received the spiritual guidance of several priests who include the Reverends Anthony Rohling, Joseph Clooney, Michael O'Leary, John Lonnergan, James Duggan, Walter Craig, Thomas Geraghty, William Ludwig, William Stanton, Phillip Bucher, James Holmes, Raymond Kunkel, James Reynolds, John Cantore, Allan Saunders, and Ralph J. Duffner; and

Whereas, St. Ambrose Parish currently serves 285 families and 91 students and remains active in the Chaffee community, helping with Meals on Wheels and the Ministerial Alliance, and serving dinners and breakfasts to the public throughout the year:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Father Duffner and to the entire congregation of St. Ambrose Parish upon this very special anniversary event; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for St. Ambrose Parish.

Offered by _____
Representative Ellen Brandom
District No. 160

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 4449, adopted August 13, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker